

AMENDMENTS TO THE DRAWINGS:

The attached replacement drawing sheet includes changes to drawing sheet number 3 of 6. These changes are discussed in the Remarks section below.

Attachments: 1 Replacement Sheet: reflecting FIGS. 4, 5, and 6, respectfully.

REMARKS

The above-identified application was allowed in the Office Action mailed October 4, 2007. The issue fee has not been paid.

In the Notice of Allowability dated October 4, 2007, the Examiner requires new drawings in compliance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.121(d), "because the original April 6, 2001 drawings are marked up."

In response, Applicants submit that attached replacement sheet of drawings, reflecting FIGS 4, 5, and 6, respectfully. This replacement sheet differs from the original sheet filed April 6, 2001, on insofar as it does not contain the markings objected to by the Examiner.

Applicants submit that this replacement drawing sheet merely presents these figures in clean form, and does not introduce any issue of new matter. In addition, the above amendment is fully supported by the specification and drawings as-filed, will not require an additional search, and does not raise new issues. Therefore, Applicants respectfully request that this Amendment be entered and the requested changes made.

Please grant any extensions of time required to enter this response and charge any additional required fees to Deposit Account No. 06-0916.

Respectfully submitted,

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Attachment: 1 replacement drawing sheet, reflecting FIGS. 4, 5, and 6.